

Executive Orders

EXECUTIVE ORDER KBB 04-01

Bond Allocation? Industrial Development
Board of the Parish of Ouachita, Inc.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and Act 51 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Executive Order No. MJF 96-25, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-15, was issued to establish:

(1) a method for allocating bonds subject to private activity bond volume limits, including the method of allocating bonds subject to the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2004 (hereafter "the 2004 Ceiling");

(2) the procedure for obtaining an allocation of bonds under the 2004 Ceiling; and

(3) a system of central record keeping for such allocations; and

WHEREAS, the Industrial Development Board of the Parish of Ouachita, Inc., has requested an allocation from the 2004 Ceiling to finance the expansion and upgrade of a solid waste disposal facility originally permitted for non-hazardous and non-infectious construction demolition, wood, and yard Type III/IV waste (i.e., trash), including the acquisition, construction and development of additional facilities to enable the project known as White Oaks Landfill, LLC, to comply with the requirements of a permit modification to upgrade the landfill to accept Type I/II waste (i.e., garbage), within the parish of Ouachita, state of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, I, KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO, Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The bond issue, as described in this Section, shall be and is hereby granted an allocation from the 2004 Ceiling in the amount shown:

Amount of Allocation	Name of Issuer	Name of Project
\$3,000,000	Industrial Development Board of the Parish of Ouachita, Inc.	Consolidated Waste Industries, Inc.

SECTION 2: The allocation granted herein shall be used only for the bond issue described in Section 1 and for the general purpose set forth in the "Application for Allocation of a Portion of the State of Louisiana Private Activity Bond Ceiling" submitted in connection with the bond issue described in Section 1.

SECTION 3: The allocation granted herein shall be valid and in full force and effect through December 31, 2004, provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before June 14, 2004.

SECTION 4: All references in this Order to the singular shall include the plural, and all plural references shall include the singular.

SECTION 5: The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the allocation granted herein was not made in consideration of any bribe, gift, or gratuity, or any direct or indirect contribution to any political campaign. The undersigned also certifies that the granted allocation meets the requirements of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 16th day of March, 2004.

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0404#018

EXECUTIVE ORDER KBB 04-02

Louisiana Interagency Action Council for the Homeless

WHEREAS, the number of homeless persons and families in the nation and this state has increased in recent years;

WHEREAS, the causes of homelessness are many and complex and homeless individuals have diverse needs;

WHEREAS, effective use of the state of Louisiana's resources and programs to alleviate the plight of homelessness requires coordination of efforts by interested persons, agencies, and organizations, both public and private, including participation at the federal, state, and local levels;

NOW THEREFORE I, KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO, Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Louisiana Interagency Action Council for the Homeless (hereafter "Council") shall be reestablished and recreated within the executive department, Office of the Governor.

SECTION 2: The duties of the Council shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

A. Conducting annual assessment and evaluation of service needs and resources for the homeless of the state of Louisiana;

B. Researching and assisting in the development of funding resources for the homeless;

C. Monitoring and evaluating assistance to homeless persons provided by all levels of government and the private sector;

D. Consulting and coordinating all activities with the Federal Interagency Council for the Homeless, HUD, and all other federal agencies that provide assistance to the homeless;

E. Monitoring the flow of information among separate service providers, government agencies, and/or appropriate authorities;

F. Disseminating timely information of federal, state, or private resources available to assist the homeless population;

G. Insuring the services for all homeless persons of the state of Louisiana are appropriately planned and coordinated, thereby reducing duplication among programs and activities by state agencies and other providers;

H. Recommending improvements to the service delivery system for the homeless, by submitting bi-annual reports of its activities to the governing bodies which represent the Council and also by detailing any and all actions taken by the Council to improve the provisions of services for the homeless; and

I. Participating in the development of all planning related to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C.A §11411;

SECTION 3: At least thirty (30) days prior to the opening of the legislative session, the Council shall submit its bi-annual report to the governor, the president of the Louisiana Senate, and the speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives on the issues set forth in Section 2 of this Order.

SECTION 4: The Council shall be composed of a maximum of thirty-six (36) members who, unless otherwise specified, shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the governor. The membership of the Council shall be selected as follows:

A. The governor, or the governor's designee;

B. The president of the Louisiana State Senate, or the president's designee;

C. The speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives, or the speaker's designee;

D. The secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, or the secretary's designee;

E. The secretary of the Department of Social Services, or the secretary's designee;

F. The secretary of the Department of Labor, or the secretary's designee;

G. The superintendent of the Department of Education, or the superintendent's designee;

H. The director of the Bureau of Health Services Financing, Department of Health and Hospitals, or the director's designee;

I. The executive director of the Office of Public Health, Department of Health and Hospitals, or the executive director's designee;

J. The assistant secretary of the Office of Mental Health, Department of Health and Hospitals, or the assistant secretary's designee;

K. The assistant secretary of the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, Department of Health and Hospitals, or the assistant secretary's designee;

L. The assistant secretary of the Office for Addictive Disorders, Department of Health and Hospitals, or the assistant secretary's designee;

M. The assistant secretary of the Office of Community Services, Department of Social Services, or the assistant secretary's designee;

N. The director of the Louisiana Rehabilitation Services, Department of Social Services, or the director's designee;

O. The assistant secretary of the Office of Family Support, Department of Social Services, or the assistant secretary's designee;

P. The assistant secretary of the Office of Adult Services, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, or the assistant secretary's designee;

Q. The assistant secretary of the Office of Youth Development, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, or the assistant secretary's designee;

R. The executive director of the Office of Elderly Affairs, Office of the Governor, or the executive director's designee;

S. The executive director of the Office of Veterans Affairs, Office of the Governor, or the executive director's designee;

T. The executive director of the Office on Women's Policy, Office of the Governor, or the executive director's designee;

U. The president of the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency, or the president's designee;

V. Two (2) representatives of the Drug Policy Board with expertise in the area of drug prevention and treatment;

W. One (1) representative of a Louisiana nonprofit legal services organization;

X. Two (2) representatives of local government agencies;

Y. Two (2) representatives of local advocacy groups for populations which are affected by homelessness;

Z. Three (3) representatives of providers of services to the homeless; and

AA. Four (4) members at-large.

SECTION 5: The chair of the Council shall be appointed by the governor from the membership of the Council. All other officers, if any, shall be elected by the membership of the Council.

SECTION 6: The Council shall meet at regularly scheduled intervals and at the call of the chair.

SECTION 7:

A. Council members shall not receive additional compensation or a per diem from the Office of the Governor for serving on the Council.

B. Council members who are an employee or an elected public official of the state of Louisiana or a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana may seek reimbursement of travel expenses, in accordance with PPM 49, from their employing and/or elected department, agency and/or office.

C. Council members who are also a member of the Louisiana Legislature may seek a per diem from the Louisiana State Senate or House of Representatives, as appropriate, for their attendance

SECTION 8: Support staff, facilities, and resources for the Council shall be provided by the various departments and/or agencies which form its membership.

SECTION 9: All departments, commissions, boards, offices, entities, agencies, and officers of the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Council in implementing the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 10: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 25th day of March, 2004.

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0404#019

EXECUTIVE ORDER KBB 04-03

Governor's Advisory Council on Disability Affairs

WHEREAS, the Governor's Advisory Council on Disability Affairs was originally established by executive order to monitor state compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and to advise the governor on the needs of individuals with disabilities and/or on other relative concerns;

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana has unique needs regarding disabilities which require continued education among its citizens concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act;

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana and its political subdivisions have an affirmative duty not to discriminate against individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the state of Louisiana to continue the centralized and coordinated effort of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act by serving the Louisiana citizens with disabilities through the continuance of the Governor's Advisory Council on Disability Affairs;

NOW THEREFORE, I, KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO, Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Governor's Advisory Council on Disability Affairs (hereafter "Council") is reestablished and recreated within the executive department, Office of the Governor, Office of Disability Affairs.

SECTION 2: The duties of the Council shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

A. Advising the governor, through the Office of Disability Affairs, on issues of concern to the Louisiana citizens with disabilities;

B. Identifying the needs, issues, and solutions relative to persons with disabilities;

C. Assisting the Office of Disability Affairs, when requested, in the resolution of state disabilities issues; and

D. Providing education, communication, and networking services concerning disability issues and needs for all Louisiana citizens.

SECTION 3: On or before January 5, the Council shall submit to the governor annual reports regarding the issues set forth in Section 2 of this Order.

SECTION 4: The Council shall be composed of a maximum of thirty-six (36) members who, unless otherwise specified, shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the governor. The Council members shall be selected as follows:

A. The governor, or the governor's designee;

B. The lieutenant governor, or the lieutenant governor's designee;

C. The attorney general, or the attorney general's designee;

D. The secretary of state, or the secretary's designee;

E. The state treasurer, or the state treasurer's designee;

F. The secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, or the secretary's designee;

G. The secretary of the Department of Labor, or the secretary's designee;

H. The secretary of the Department of Social Services, or the secretary's designee;

I. The secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development, or the secretary's designee;

J. The secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, or the secretary's designee;

K. The commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, or the commissioner's designee;

L. The commissioner of the Department of Insurance, or the commissioner's designee;

M. One (1) member of the Louisiana State Senate, designated by the president of the Louisiana Senate;

N. One (1) member of the Louisiana House of Representatives, designated by the speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives;

O. The superintendent of the Department of Education, or the superintendent's designee;

P. The state fire marshal, or the state fire marshal's designee;

Q. The director of the Office of Elderly Affairs, or the director's designee;

R. The director of the Office of Facility Planning and Control, or the director's designee;

S. The chair of the Developmental Disabilities Council, or the chair's designee;

T. The chair of the Advocacy Center, or the chair's designee;

U. The chair of the Louisiana Assistive Technology Access Network, or the chair's designee;

V. The chair of the Louisiana Rehabilitation Council, or the chair's designee;

W. The chair of the Statewide Independent Living Council, or the chair's designee;

X. The chair of the Mental Health Planning Council, or the chair's designee;

Y. The executive director of The Arc of Louisiana, or the executive director's designee;

Z. One (1) representative of disability services from an institution of higher education; and

AA.Ten (10) at-large members who have disabilities or have family members with disabilities.

SECTION 5: The chair of the Council shall be appointed by the governor from the membership of the Council. All other officers, if any, shall be elected by and from the membership of the Council.

SECTION 6: The Council shall meet at regularly scheduled intervals and at the call of the chair.

SECTION 7:

A. Council members shall not receive additional compensation or a per diem from the Office of the Governor for serving on the Council.

B. Council members who are an employee or an elected public official of the state of Louisiana or a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana may seek reimbursement of travel expenses, in accordance with PPM 49, from their employing and/or elected department, agency and/or office.

C. Council members who are also a member of the Louisiana Legislature may seek a per diem from the Louisiana State Senate or House of Representatives, as appropriate, for their attendance.

SECTION 8: Support staff, facilities, and resources for the Council shall be provided by the Office of Disability Affairs, Office of the Governor.

SECTION 9: All departments, commissions, boards, offices, entities, agencies, and officers of the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Council in implementing the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 10: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 25th day of March, 2004.

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0404#020

EXECUTIVE ORDER KBB 04-04

Office of the First Gentleman

WHEREAS, the First Gentleman is the official host of the state of Louisiana and, as a result, the First Gentleman holds both private status and *de facto* state officer status;

WHEREAS, as the First Gentleman of Louisiana, Mr. Raymond "Coach" Blanco travels throughout Louisiana to promote its beautification and historic preservation, the health and safety of its inhabitants, and other worthy projects and causes, such as the Louisiana Governor's Mansion Foundation, litter prevention and elimination, inner city education, prisoner rehabilitation, and the protection of children's health, safety and welfare;

WHEREAS, as First Gentleman, Mr. Blanco welcomes visiting dignitaries, makes speeches and public service announcements, authors articles pertaining to his projects, holds press conferences and interviews, participates in charity events, and performs numerous other duties and activities at the Governor's request; and

WHEREAS, the numerous duties and activities of the First Gentleman place significant administrative demands on the office of the First Gentleman which necessitate that it be given formal recognition;

NOW THEREFORE I, KATHLEEN BABINEAU BLANCO, Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Office of the First Gentleman (hereafter "Office") is created and established within the executive department, Office of the Governor. The First Gentleman shall be an ambassador and a spokesperson for the state of Louisiana, and shall perform other duties as directed by the Governor.

SECTION 2: Support staff, office facilities, and reasonable operating expenses shall be provided to the Office by the executive department, Office of the Governor.

SECTION 3: The First Gentleman shall not receive compensation or a per diem. Nonetheless, he may receive reimbursement for actual travel expenses incurred in the representation of the Office, in accordance with state guidelines and procedures, contingent upon the availability of funds, and the approval of the Commissioner of Administration.

SECTION 4: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Office in implementing the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 5: Upon signature of the Governor, the provisions of this Order shall be made retroactive to January 12, 2004, and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the Governor, or until terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 25th day of March, 2004.

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0404#021

EXECUTIVE ORDER KBB 04-05

Louisiana Wild Caught Shrimp Industry
Trade Action Advisory Council

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Caught Shrimp Industry Trade Action Advisory Council was originally established by executive order to create an advisory body and/or council that will consolidate its efforts to initiate a trade action to protect itself from unfair trade practices

utilized by foreign countries importing shrimp into the United States;

WHEREAS, the wild caught shrimp industry is an integral part of the state of Louisiana's history, culture, and economy and is a major component of the economy, providing employment and tax revenue for the state of Louisiana;

WHEREAS, certain foreign shrimp producing countries have utilized unfair trade practices that greatly damage the state's wild caught shrimp industry;

WHEREAS, funding sources and mechanisms must be developed in order to support a trade action for the protection of the domestic wild caught shrimp industry;

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana supports a trade action by a consolidated wild caught shrimp industry in Louisiana and intends to assist in its success; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Louisiana will best be served by the continuance of an advisory council that will assist the state in its efforts to initiate trade actions to protect itself from unfair trade practices utilized by foreign countries importing shrimp into the United States;

NOW THEREFORE I, KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO, Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Louisiana Wild Caught Shrimp Trade Action Advisory Council (hereafter "Council") is established within the executive department, Office of the Governor.

SECTION 2: The duties of the Council shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

A. Supporting and assisting a trade action brought by a consolidated wild caught shrimp industry;

B. Exploring and developing funding sources and mechanisms to assist and support such trade action; and

C. Recommending proposed legislation to fund the trade action.

SECTION 3: On or before March 1, 2005, the Council shall submit a final report to the governor, and the secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on the issues set forth in Section 2 of this Order.

SECTION 4: The Council shall be composed of a maximum of thirteen (13) members who, unless otherwise specified, shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the governor. The membership of the Council shall be selected as follows:

A. The governor, or the governor's designee;

B. The secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, or the secretary's designee;

C. The president of the Louisiana Senate, or the president's designee;

D. The speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives, or the speaker's designee;

E. The chair of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, or the chair's designee;

F. The chair of the House Committee on Natural Resources, or the chair's designee;

G. Two (2) members appointed by the governor from a list of four (4) Louisiana residents nominated by the Louisiana Shrimp Association;

H. Two (2) members appointed by the governor from a list of four (4) Louisiana residents nominated by the Louisiana Shrimp Industry Coalition;

I. One (1) member appointed by the governor from a list of three (3) Louisiana residents nominated by the American Shrimp Processors Association;

J. One (1) member appointed by the governor from a list of three (3) Louisiana residents nominated by the secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries who possess a current gear and boat license; and

K. One (1) at-large member.

SECTION 5: The chair of the Council shall be appointed by the governor from the membership of the Council. All other officers, if any, shall be elected from the membership of the Council.

SECTION 6: The Council shall meet at regularly scheduled intervals and at the call of the chair.

SECTION 7:

A. Council members shall not receive additional compensation or a per diem from the Office of the Governor for serving on the Council.

B. Council members who are employees or an elected public officials of the state of Louisiana or a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana may seek reimbursement of travel expenses, in accordance with PPM 49, from their employing and/or elected department, agency and/or office.

C. Council members who are also members of the Louisiana Legislature may seek a per diem from the Louisiana Senate or House of Representatives, as appropriate, for their attendance.

SECTION 8: Support staff, facilities, and resources for the Office shall be provided by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

SECTION 9: All departments, commissions, boards, offices, entities, agencies, and officers of the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Office in implementing the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 10: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 25th day of March, 2004.

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0404#022